

**Remarks:**

The application is now believed to be in condition for allowance. Should the examiner believe a discussion would expedite the prosecution of this application, the examiner is kindly invited to contact the undersigned at the phone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Robert N. Carpenter", written in black ink. The signature is fluid and stylized, with the first and last names being more prominent.

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